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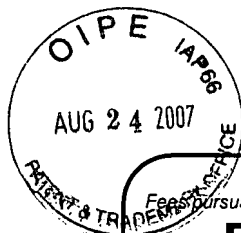
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 180.00**Complete if Known**

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Applicant: Yves Le Brech et al.
Filed: July 11, 2003
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TC/A.U.: 1771
Examiner: Linda Salvatore

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

References 13 to 23 are not in the English language, but an English abstract thereof is attached to the copy of the reference submitted herewith.

The Examiner's attention is drawn to co-pending US application Nos. 10/472,089 and 10/472,086.

More than three months have elapsed since the filing of the above-referenced application and a first (non-Final) Official Action has been received. No Final Action or Notice of Allowance has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed.

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	2	US-5,082,899	01/21/1992	SAWYER et al.	
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	4	US-5,227,229	07/13/1993	MCCOY et al.	
	5	US-4,826,945	05/02/1989	COHN et al.	
	6	US-5,173,154	12/22/1992	HEINRICH	
	7	US-2003/0207639	11/06/2003	LIN	
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	15	DE2147321	03/30/1972	DEXTER CORP.	Abstract	
	16	EP0641817	03/08/1995	TIMMERMANN et al.	Abstract	
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